

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (currently amended): A cold die steel excellent in characteristics of suppressing dimensional change, including, by mass%,
  - carbon (C): 0.7% or more and less than 1.6%,
  - silicon (Si): 0.5 to 3.0%,
  - manganese (Mn): 0.1 to 3.0%,
  - phosphor (P): less than 0.05% including 0%,
  - sulfur (S): 0.01 to 0.12%,
  - chromium (Cr): 7.0 to 13.0%,
  - one or two elements selected from the group consisting of molybdenum (Mo) and tungsten (W): amounts satisfying the formula:  $(Mo + (W/2)) = 0.5$  to 1.7%,
  - vanadium (V): less than 0.7% including 0%,
  - nickel (Ni): 0.3 to 1.5%,
  - ~~copper~~copper (Cu): 0.1 to 1.0%, and
  - aluminum (Al): 0.1 to 0.7%.
  
2. (original): The cold die steel according to claim 1, wherein amounts of nickel and aluminum satisfy the formula by mass%:  $Ni/Al = 1$  to 3.7.

3. (original): The cold die steel according to claim 1, wherein amounts of chromium and carbon satisfy the formulas by mass%:  $(Cr - 4.2 \times C) = 5$  or less, and  $(Cr - 6.3 \times C) = 1.4$  or more.

4. (original): The cold die steel according to claim 1, wherein the steel further includes, by mass%, 0.3% or less excluding 0% of columbium (Nb).

5. (currently amended): A cold die steel excellent in characteristics of suppressing dimensional change including, by mass%,

carbon (C): 0.7% or more and less than 1.6%,

silicon (Si): 0.5 to 3.0%,

manganese (Mn): 0.1 to 3.0%,

phosphor (P): less than 0.05% including 0%,

sulfur (S): 0.01 to 0.12%,

chromium (Cr): 7.0 to 13.0%,

one or two elements selected from the group consisting of molybdenum (Mo) and tungsten (W): amounts satisfying the formula:  $(Mo + (W/2)) = 0.5$  to 1.7%,

vanadium (V): less than 0.7% including 0%,

nickel (Ni): 0.3 to 1.5%,

~~copper~~<sup>upper</sup> copper (Cu): 0.1 to 1.0%,

aluminum (Al): 0.1 to 0.7%, and

columbium (Nb): 0.3% or less excluding 0%,

wherein amounts of nickel and aluminum satisfy the formula:  $Ni/Al = 1$  to 3.7,

and

wherein amounts of chromium and carbon satisfy the formulas:  $(Cr - 4.2 \times C) = 5$  or less,  
and  $(Cr - 6.3 \times C) = 1.4$  or more.

6. (new): A cold die steel excellent in characteristics of suppressing dimensional change  
including, by mass%,

carbon (C): 0.9% to 1.3%,

silicon (Si): 0.9 to 2.0%,

manganese (Mn): 0.1 to 1.0%,

phosphor (P): less than 0.02% including 0%,

sulfur (S): 0.03 to 0.09%,

chromium (Cr): 8.0 to 11.0%,

one or two elements selected from the group consisting of molybdenum (Mo) and  
tungsten (W): amounts satisfying the formula:  $(Mo + (W/2)) = 0.75$  to 1.5%,

vanadium (V): not more than 0.5% including 0%,

nickel (Ni): 0.4 to 1.3%,

copper (Cu): 0.2 to 0.8%,

aluminum (Al): 0.1 to 0.5%, and

columbium (Nb): 0.03% to 0.3%,

wherein amounts of nickel and aluminum satisfy the formula:  $Ni/Al = 1.2$  to 3.7,

and

wherein amounts of chromium and carbon satisfy the formulas:  $(Cr - 4.2 \times C) = 5$  or less,  
and  $(Cr - 6.3 \times C) = 1.7$  or more.

7. (new): The cold die steel according to claim 6,  
wherein amounts of nickel and aluminum satisfy the formula by mass%:  $\text{Ni/Al} = 1.4$  to  
3.5.

8. (new): The cold die steel according to claim 6, including, by mass %,   
aluminum (Al): 0.15 to 0.45.